

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please find below a listing of all pending claims. The statuses of the claims are set forth in parentheses. For those currently amended claims, underlined emphasis indicates insertions and ~~strike through~~ emphasis (and/or double brackets) indicates deletions.

1. (currently amended) A product information registration management apparatus comprising:

a hardware controller that includes,

an information acquisition section that acquires product information concerning a product to be registered;

an authorized registration propriety decision section that decides propriety of authorized registration of said product on a basis of the product information acquired by said information acquisition section;

a condition information storage section that stores temporary registration condition information specifying conditions for temporary registration of said product; ~~and~~

a temporary registration section that temporarily registers ~~said a~~ a product if ~~it~~ the product is decided to be improper for authorized registration by said authorized registration propriety decision section and ~~if~~ if the product information concerning said product conforms to said temporary registration conditions;

a historical information storage section that stores historical information concerning temporary registration processing executed by said temporary registration section; and

an information updating section that updates said temporary registration condition information on a basis of said historical information stored in said historical information storage section.

2. (Canceled) .

3. (Original) A product information registration management apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said temporary registration condition information includes at least ID information concerning products.

4. (Original) A product information registration management apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said temporary registration condition information includes at least information specifying conditions needed to decide propriety of temporary registration of said product.

5. (Original) A product information registration management apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said product information is a product ID.

6. (currently amended) A computer readable medium storing therein a product information registration management program for instructing a computer to execute registration management concerning products, said program comprising:

~~an information acquisition step of~~ acquiring product information concerning a product to be registered;

~~an authorized registration propriety decision step of~~ deciding propriety of authorized registration of said product on a basis of the product information acquired at said acquiring product information ~~information acquisition step~~;

~~a condition information storage step of~~ storing temporary registration condition information specifying conditions for temporary registration of said product; ~~and~~

~~a temporary registration step of~~ temporarily registering ~~said~~ a product ~~if it~~ once the product is decided to be improper for authorized registration at said

authorized registration propriety decision step and once the product information concerning said product conforms to said temporary registration conditions;

storing historical information concerning temporary registration processing executed at said temporarily registering; and

updating said temporary registration condition information on a basis of said historical information stored at said storing historical information.

7. (Canceled) .

8. (currently amended) A product information registration management method for causing a computer to execute registration management concerning products, said method comprising:

~~an information acquisition step of acquiring product information concerning a product to be registered through~~ a communication line;

~~an authorized registration propriety decision step of deciding propriety of authorized registration of said product on a basis of the product information acquired at said~~ acquiring product ~~information acquisition step;~~

~~a condition information storage step of storing, as a file, temporary registration condition information specifying conditions for temporary registration of said product; and~~

~~a temporary registration step of temporarily registering~~ said a product in a database if it once the product ~~is decided to be improper for authorized registration at said authorized registration propriety decision step and~~ once the product information concerning said product conforms to said temporary registration conditions;

storing historical information concerning temporary registration processing executed at said temporarily registering; and

updating said temporary registration condition information on a basis of said historical information stored at said storing historical information.

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9. (Canceled) .